

John D. Wilper to George Washington, September 9, 1758, Sick Roll at Fort Pearsall, Letters to Washington and Accompanying Papers. Published by the Society of the Colonial Dames of America. Edited by Stanislaus Murray Hamilton.

FROM MR. J. D. WILPER.

FORT PEAR SALL the 9 of Setber 1758.

HONNORABLE COLLONEL

I sent the 21. of augst, a Return of the Garrission in this fort, the Gentlmen Who tack the return with him, Come in a Spall hast regin¹ on the road, So that the return, git so pasth, and all torn to Pieces, here by I Sent another one to you, Capt Mc kensie Call one of his men away to Join his Compy again, it is all Well here, I mus Pagk [beg] your Parton, for what I Want to Trouble your Honr. it is now 3 Mounths June. July. and augst. that I recd. no monye, [money] I do not [k] now, from how I shall recd. me monye, I sent r Letter to Lt. Wm. Fliming, about it, I never git annye [any] anderws [answer] again, I pagk the favour of your honr. to favour me Whit Some monnye I be in Graet Niet [need] of it, Here you obleigt me most, and I be In Duty bound for ever, to you —

JOHN DAVID WILPER.

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your horss and Cow are not Come this Way, if the Come up, Whe will not miss to tack
them up, I aquint your Honr. that I tack one the Contery Cow up, and the Bill Cavf, Here
Son, So Son as she hat Caft, I Will Sent here to you, it is a fein Cow,²

1 This is a literal copy. What the gentleman came in it is difficult to fathom.

2 The remarkable postscript of Sergeant Wilper may possibly be interpreted as follows: "your horse and cow are not come this way, if they come up, we will not miss to take them up. I acquaint Your Honor that I took one, the County cow up, and the bull calf, her son. So soon as she has calved I will send her to you. It is a fine cow."